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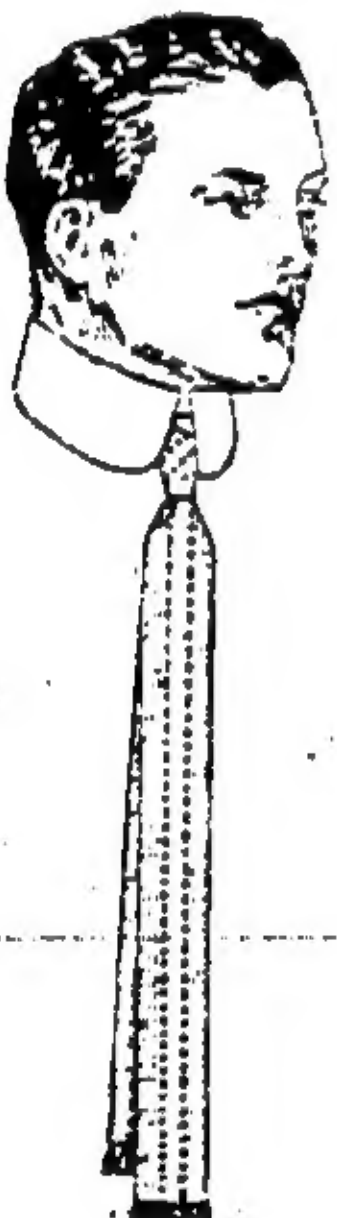
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STAND OR FALL.

GOVERNMENT'S OFFER TO SINN FEIN FINAL.

WHAT REJECTION WILL MEAN.

PREMIER HOPEFUL IN SPITE OF DISQUIETING FACTS.

LONDON, August 19.
In the House of Commons, in moving the adjournment, Mr. Lloyd George made a statement on the Irish situation. He declared that the Government's letter to Mr. De Valera contained everything they thought they could possibly concede in order to purchase the peace and goodwill of the Irish people and gain the support of sane opinion in Britain, Ireland and the world. Explanation, elaboration and elucidation were possible, but the outline of the proposals could not be altered nor their basis changed. If agreement were reached the details would be worked out carefully in order not to leave a loophole for misunderstanding. Thereafter a Bill would be framed and submitted to Parliament as speedily as possible. The Premier was anxious to avoid words that could be interpreted as threats but should the terms be rejected the situation would be a graver one than we had ever before confronted with before. The present terms defined the issue more clearly than ever before and rejection would be an unmistakable challenge to the authority of the Crown and the unity of the Empire. Steps would then have to be taken on which Parliament could be given an opportunity to express an opinion. In spite of disquieting facts, the Premier hoped that reason would prevail and the Irish leaders would not reject the largest measure of freedom ever offered.

LORD CHANCELLOR GLOOMY.

LONDON, August 19.
In the House of Lords, the Lord Chancellor said that he did not share the optimism of some of the speeches on the Irish problem. He declared if this attempt at negotiations broke down we should be committed to hostilities on a scale never undertaken hitherto against Ireland and we would not shrink from whatever measures might be necessary in order to prevent secession of a constituent part of these islands from the British constitution. As far as the Government was concerned they would stand or fall by the offer.

BRITISH FREIGHT LOSSES.

EFFECTS OF THE WORLD SLUMP ON SHIPPING.

LOSSES FROM STRIKES.

LONDON, August 19.
An illustration of the world trade slump's effects on shipping was given at the annual meeting of Messrs. Furness, Withy & Co. The Chairman, Sir Frederick Lewis, recalled that two years ago he estimated the gross freight of British shipping at between £350,000,000 and £400,000,000, whereas making allowance for laid up vessels the present year's earnings would be £60,000,000, or £70,000,000 from which there would be a little surplus as a contribution to the nation's invisible exports after deduction of the cost of coal purchased abroad during the strike and repairs effected abroad during the joiners' strike. Nevertheless the unfavourable trade balance was not so large as it appeared on account of the Board of Trade's method of valuing imports on a c.i.f. basis, calculating exports at their value before the ship carrying them began its earning charges.

STARVING RUSSIA.

SUFFERERS INVADE UKRAINE AND PLUNDER VILLAGES.

CHILDREN'S DREADFUL FLIGHT.

BERLIN, August 19.
A message from Lemberg states that 50,000 sufferers from starvation have penetrated Olpat in the Ukraine. They are robbing and plundering villages and coming into collision with the local peasantry. A message from Helsingfors states that Lunacharsky, commissary of education, has written to the Præsidium of the dreadful plight of Russian children of whom 300,000 have been abandoned by parents and are now dependent on the state. On the banks of the Volga thousands of children are sleeping without shelter and are living by begging, prostitution, and thieving. A "children's city" has been established in Samara and is living on hunger rations.

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FRENCH TEXTILE STRIKE.

OVER 50,000 WORKERS INVOLVED.

LILLE, August 19.
Over 50,000 workers are involved in the textile strike at Roubaix and Tourcoing.

FORMER GREEK PREMIER DEAD.

ATHENS, August 19.
The death is announced of former premier Kallis.

ST. LEGER SCRATCHINGS.

LONDON, August 19.
St. Leger scratchings are as follows:—Alan Brock, Plato, and Brule, all at nine to-day.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/8 5/8

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V.R.C. SWIMMING.

LAST NIGHT'S FETE.

INTERESTING INTERPORT TESTS.

The Victoria Recreation Club held its fourth night swimming fete last night favoured by beautiful moonlight. The attractive programme drew a record crowd, and all spent a very enjoyable time. Interesting features of the fete were the test team race and water polo between wellbalanced combinations held with a view to selecting Hongkong's best to take part in the forthcoming Interport contest with Shanghai. A novel and amusing item was the Mixed Nomination race in which the men swam to the middle of the bath in their coats, had a button sewn on by their fair partner, and then returned together to the finishing point. Miss V. Young and Mr. D. Laing secured the prize for this event.

The officials in charge of the affair were:—
Judges:—Messrs. W. Logan, A. Silva-Netto, G. A. Carvalho, E. Busschaert, M. L. Raitton, A. McKirdy and Master G. May.
Starters:—Messrs. A. A. Alves, A. E. S. Alves and R. C. Witchell.
Timekeepers:—Capt. Wheeler, Lt. Comdr. Stern, and Mr. C.M.S. Alves.

THE RESULTS.

Boys' Team Race.—An exciting and closely contested event in which the result was very doubtful until the fourth man took the water. Won by A. May's team. Time: 3min. 47.3 Secs. L. Ribeiro's team, the losers finished in 3min. 58.2 Secs.

Girls' 2 lengths handicap.—There were four entries for this event. Thelma May won a closely contested race in 35secs. Daisy Witchell was second.

One length under water (scratch).—There were three heats for the event, all of which were keenly contested. A. Logan won the final in 16.4 Secs. E. W. Raitton was second (18secs.).

High Dive (open to ladies and gentlemen).—The men dived from the higher platform, and the ladies from the lower. The ladies made a good show, and it was hard lines that none of them secured a prize. The awards were made as follows:—1. A. Logan; 2. G. Hall; 3. G. Jack.

Four lengths (scratch).—This event was very interesting. The competitors had to cover each length in a different style, viz. back stroke, breast stroke, single stroke and double stroke. There were three keenly contested heats, but only Johnstone and Laing took part in the final. Johnstone won in 75 secs. Laing's time was 86 secs.

Two lengths handicap (Services).—There were many entries. Keen competition was shown between the soldiers and sailors. The Army secured the laurels. Pte. Le Hurry was first in 35.2 Secs. and Pte. Brown second (36secs.).

Team Race (Interport Test).—Johnstone and Laing captained two well matched teams. A close contest resulted in Johnstone's team winning, their skipper finishing a second in front of Laing. Time: 2mins. 23secs.

Mixed two lengths handicap.—There were so many entries for this event that eight heats had to be run off. The outstanding swimmers of the Club were heavily handicapped, and were not placed. Several ladies competed but only Daisy Witchell reached the final. She won a very exciting race from V. Hast by a fraction of a second. Her time was 49secs.

Mixed Nomination.—Miss V. Young and D. Laing took their time about the event and won comfortably.

Water Polo (Interport Test).—This concluded the programme. The advertised teams did not come up to scratch, and the sides had to be re-organised. They were well balanced and an exciting game resulted in a score of four goals all.

The teams were:—
Blue:—Busschaert, G. A. Carvalho, J. R. Johnstone, D. Laing, G. Jack, G. Hall, and V. Raitton.
White:—M. L. Raitton, Watson, S. Garrod, A. Logan, S. Marcal, L. Franco and Ignatiff.

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WILD TALE OF TREACHERY AND
REVENGE.

Writing from Lanchow, Kan., on
July 12, a N. C. D. News Correspondent
said:—

Since the dawn of the Republic
what changes have been taking place
in China! How much of the "see-
saw" life many of the officials have
been leading. To-day at the top, to-
morrow at the bottom, to-day sitting
in high places, to-morrow in flight.
In the case of the Governor of Shensi,
Chen Shu-fan, who has held his
position for years in the face of
much opposition and of decrees from
Peking ordering him to resign, we
have the sea-saw of political drama
again on the stage.

FIRST ACT IN THE DRAMA.

We go back to the early years of
the Republic and we find Lu Yung-
hsiang (?) Tuchun in Shensi with Yen
Hsiang-wu and Feng Yu-hsiang as
his lieutenants. Kuo Chien, formerly
an ordinary soldier, had gathered a
lot of ruffians round about him who
harassed the soldiers of the Tuchun.
Chen Shu-fan, a small military officer
at that time, threw in his lot with
Kuo Chien and became one of his
lieutenants. They held several cities
including Hsiangyang, Kienchow and
Fenghsiaogin. The Tuchun reinforced,
made a determined attack upon
Fenghsiaogin, but failed and his son fell
into the hands of Chen Shu-fan.

Unknown to his leader Chen Shu-
fan set out for Shensi with his prisoner,
and there began to make terms with
the Tuchun, to relinquish his position
as Tuchun, to hand over the
seals of office in exchange for the life
of his son. This was agreed upon
and the Tuchun was permitted to
have so many carts for luggage, etc.
The prisoner was handed over and
the seals of office given in exchange,
then Lu set off on his journey. His
followers exceeded the number of
carts bargained for, so Chen Shu-fan's
soldiers looted all the carts. This
resulted in another parley and finally
he got away and Chen Shu-fan,
instead of inviting his leader to take
office, usurped the position for him-
self.

TREACHERY UPON TREACHERY.

This act of treachery made him ill
at ease, so he offered Kuo Chien a
good position, being still afraid of
him. Then he offered to assist him
to drive Tuchun Yen out of Taiyuan
that he might become Tuchun there,
at the same time, he wrote to
Tuchun Yen inviting him to come
and attack Kuo Chien saying he
would help him. Kuo Chien, innocent
of the treachery, crossed the
Yellow River with his soldiers at
Tongkuan. Ammunition and stores
were to follow later. When crossing
the river, Chen Shu-fan's soldiers
fired upon them. Beret of ammunition
he fled direct north; the Shensi
Tuchun's troops in hot chase followed
them. They looted and burnt the
places they passed through, and
finally were able to recross the
Yellow River opposite Hoyang, the

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Shensi soldiers firing on them as they
crossed. His men scattered, lacking
ammunition.

He fled to the hills for safety and
little by little he gathered his men
round him again. Then a piece of
luck overtook him, for a young officer
with his regiment threw in his lot
with him and Fenghsiaogin was again
in his possession. His position strength-
ened and his troops more numerous
he decided to make an attack on
Shan and kill the man who had be-
trayed him. Troops in plain cloth
secreted themselves in the city, and
a revolution was to break out on a
certain day. An unsuccessful at-
tempt was made on the life of the
Tuchun, but this forced matters to a
head, the revolution breaking out a
few days before the date fixed.

SOME OF HIS OWN MEDICINE.

Kuo Chien's troops held the whole
of the South Street and the
tower on the main street. They
fought valiantly and there were
heavy losses on both sides, but finally
had to withdraw. The other troops
under their leader, Kuo Chien, arriv-
ing too late to save the situation so
they retired to their strongholds at
Fenghsiaogin and Kienchow.

In March of this year he accused
one of his officers of treachery and
shot him, which caused dissatisfaction
among his officers and men. An-
other officer of his sent word to the
Tuchun that if he would send his
soldiers, he would open the gates to
them. Troops were sent, but the
officer changed his mind and fired
upon them.

Angered at being deceived the
Tuchun seized the officer's old father
and other members of the family and
threatened to put them to death.

The officer as an offset held the Rev.
C. H. Stevens as a ransom. Then
came the Peking mandate appointing
Yen Hsiang-wu Tuchun of Shensi,
and the soldiers were sent under the
leadership of General Feng Yu-hsiang
to carry out the will of Peking.

Chen Shu-fan increased his troops to
guard the fortress at Tongkuan and
oppose General Feng.

TUCHUN CHIEF OUSTED.

Suddenly the troops of the new
Tuchun were reported to have crossed
the Yellow River at Hoyang, so
Tuchun Chen's troops were obliged
to retire from the Tongkuan to avoid
being surrounded. General Feng
then advanced and reaching the
Tongkuan, 60 li from Shensi, the
news reached him that Tuchun Chen
had fled. The day after General Feng's
arrival at Shensi, the new Tuchun Yen
arrived and took up his position.
These same two men, Tuchun Yen
and General Feng, were the lieutenants
of the fleeing Tuchun compelled to re-
linquish his position as Tuchun many
years ago. A real sea-saw: Chen
Shu-fan was up and now he is down.

P. S. Lu Yung-hsiang, who was the
father-in-law of General Feng, was
shot by Hsu Shih-weng at the back
of his house after having invited him
to a feast there.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

IRISH CRISIS.

LONDON, August 19th.
The Sinn Féin authorities in Dublin
announce that Dail Eireann will con-
sider the reply to the British proposals
in a private session on August 22nd.
It is understood that Dail Eireann is
at present attending to departmental
reports.

STARVING RUSSIA.

WASHINGTON, August 19th.
Mr. Hoover announces that complete
agreement regarding food relief for
Russia has been reached at Riga, and
preparations are being made for the
despatch of food ships from New York to
Dungrig.

Mr. Hoover has published a letter from
President Harding, in which the latter
says he trusts that America will support
the Administration's project.

SILESIAN PROBLEM.

LONDON, August 19th.
The Morning Post's Paris correspondent
says that Viscount Ishit has convened a
meeting of the Council of the League of
Nations for August 25th, at Geneva, to
consider the Silesian question. Pre-
liminary arrangements will then be
made, after which the real discussion
will be adjourned until the meeting on
September 15th under the presidency of
Mr. Wellington Koo.

DAVIS CUP.

NEW YORK, August 19th.
In the Davis Cup, Fryze played hard
in the first few sets, but Shimidzu man-
aged to baffle the Indian with twist shots
and to pull him out of position.

Fryze played Shimidzu to a standstill
in the third set, and there was an ac-
cumulation of shots into the net and out
of the court, which finally gave Shimidzu
the set.

Except in the first set, when Slem's
great placing enabled him to work the
Japanese out of position, the match was
an easy win for Kumagata. Slem's ser-
vice was soft. Kumagata returned the
deliveries to where recovery was impos-
sible.

KILLED BY FLIES.

REMARKABLE STORY AT
INQUEST ON YOUTH.

At the Lambeth inquest on Charles
Steer, nineteen, a joiner, of Battersea,
who died in St. Thomas's Hospital,
it was stated that death may have
occurred through contact with a
swarm of flies.

The lad's mother stated that he
went out on his bicycle and in the
evening when he returned he said
to her: "Two dogs as big as you
flew in front of my bike on East Hill.
Heads down, and threw me off."
He added that he had scratched his
arm and chin.

Next day he went on his bicycle
to Worthing, and on his return said
he had been bitten by a swarm of
flies. They were so thick that he
could scarcely get through them.
The following day he became so ill
that he was taken to the hospital.

Dr. Leslie Maxwell, house physician
at St. Thomas's Hospital, said that
when Steer was admitted he had a
high temperature, and was suffering
considerably. His chin and elbow
were slightly inflamed, and sep-
ticæmia set in, death taking place
from blood poisoning, set up
either by some foreign material
getting into his chin or by flies.

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MUGUET—On August 12, 1921, at Kuling, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Muguet, a daughter.

ANDERSON—On August 13, 1921, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Anderson, 73 Haskell Road, a son.

CLEMENTS—On August 13, 1921, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Clements, a son.

DEATHS.

GAINES—On August 11, 1921, John Dickson Gaines, late Shanghai Manager of Commercial Pacific Cable Company.

BUTLER—On August 8, 1921, at Kuling, Miss Esther H. Butler, for 34 years missionary (Friends) in Nanking.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 1921.

ADVERSARIA.

I am told that several of the Chinese newspapers translated last week's advertisement, and inflicted the stuff on their readers. I see that one of Padre Macdonald's seasons for preaching against the mulatto custom is that though the states

the sand, on which we cook the still kicking fish that the fisher folk bring. I like the job of bringing my boat to anchor opposite my busy looking camp, and making it all snug, and then sitting down with a pipe at the tent door to watch the sky darken, and to hear the cicadas open their nocturnal chorus, and to study the weather signs. For several days and nights it was so fine that a tent seemed quite unnecessary, and I caught myself grumbling: "What's the use of a tent if it doesn't rain!" Then, of course, the rain came, and my silly question was changed to "What's the use of a tent when it does!" But a little wetness doesn't matter when your sleeping costume is a bathing dress.

The moon was gibbous when I pitched camp, and soon came to the full, and one night I slept outside the tent, reckless of the sailors' superstition that to sleep in the full radiance of that heavenly body is to invite insanity. Because, you see, it is not by very many occasions the first time I've done it, and I think I must have been moonstruck many years ago, if there is anything in it. Sunlight that has to travel all the way to the moon, and then come back to me (dreaming happily where the wind sighs tender among the lantana and the surge grows a bass accompaniment), how can it hurt me? If at all, it hurts me by encouraging and confirming my impractical dream, to get away as often as possible, out of range of the fussing and fretting of politically minded men. But that is a hurt I hug, as also the hurtful impulses to poetry and art that it sends along its cool rays. This beach of mine (which the Government ought to present to me, honoris causa) is Shelley's

Where the soul need not repress
Its music lest it should not find
An echo in another's mind.

How foolish to eat
Smoky food when one
could have meals properly
dished up in a
scientific kitchen.

How silly to share
in its preparation, in such tedious tasks
as "washing up," when there are
cheap servants prepared to do all that.
How foolish to sleep on a layer of
ferns spread on the ground, with a
prickly blanket over all, when a good
bed is available. (The "simple life"
is really a more complicated business
than those who only theorise about it
suppose it to be.) How foolish to
play childish games on the beach,
chucking stones about, and so on,
when one might be all dressed up and
haranguing fellow citizens about their
duty to the empire. To be sober,
and yet carry on as if one were tipsy.
Well, let me whisper to you a secret,
that may be useful to you. It is not
so much the being silly, as the dread
of appearing silly, that interferes
with most people's happiness. There
is a sort of self-consciousness that
prevents people from being natural
and happy. "What will people
think?"—I do not know what the
hermit crabs on my beach think of
my carryings-on, and I do not care.
It is the not caring that permits me
to be so very childishly happy in my
own childish ways. It seems to me
that some Hongkong bathing
parties are formed on a mutual
contract to waive dignity, banish self-
consciousness, and to give joy free
rein. I omit the contract as unneces-
sary, and allow joy to be unconfin-
ed by study of appearances.

Of course no one wants to
be silly all the time. It
is a mood. It is really
a healthy vent to be silly
at times. "A little non-
sense now and then." The thwarting
of any impulse whatever has results
that are catalogued by the psycho-
analyst cranks. Sinful or unlawful
impulses, of course, must be but it is
neither of these things to "look silly."
Presently, when you have let the
safety valve alone, and have yielded
to the impulse to "bay the moon,"
your soul, careening like a yacht in
a squall, will right itself, and other
moods will follow, in which you may
appear as dignified as your most
conscientious neighbours are supposed
to be. The mood of the adoration
of beauty, the mood of long, long
thinking, the mood even for intellectu-
al vacancy, these with the others
make the life, and not the eclectic
balance of the actor who never permits
himself to appear save in the pose of
repose. All of which meditation,
done on these surf-washed rocks, in
bright moonshine, may seem merely
silly to you. Well, even that I shall
not mind.

Wednesday night was
a new view a special joss night
for the moon. For the Chinese,
it is, apparently, on this
night that graveyards yawn, and
spirits return to see how the living
are getting on. Torches and fire-
crackers were used by my fishing
friends. Their names, and the mo-
quitos and sand flies, to say nothing
of the beauty of the night, forbade
sleep. I smoked furiously in the
opening of the tent. About half past
three, my companions all asleep, I

went down to the water and swam
out along the moon path. Then I
thought of diving so as to see how the
moon looks to the fishes. I looked
at it through a few feet of water, and
it was dancing from side to side in the
craziest way. When I came to the
top again, it was walking serenely
through its garden of vapours. I tried
again, and again it was doing the
shimmy dance, drunkenly, a dis-
orderly will o' the wisp. It must
worry the fishes (those of them that
stay awake) quite a lot. When I
came out, I stood myself on a smooth
stone of size to dry in the balmy
breeze, thus managing to look silly
again, had there been any to look.
I do not think a nude human figure, the
periphery of which seems to have been
centrifugally affected, could look
classical. Anyway, there was none
to look. And it was a joss night for
me as well as for the Chinese fisher-
folk. Parting was such sweet sorrow,
that I could have worshipped there
till the moon went and the dawn came.
But as, on the best authority, to
everything there is a season: a time
to weep and a time to laugh; a time
to mourn and a time to dance; a time
to cast away stones and a time to
gather stones together; a time to
embrace, and a time to refrain from
embracing, so this time to worship,
because there would come the time
to work, must yield to the time to
sleep. Not all these times are regis-
tered, you observe, by the clock of
moods, the horologe of whims. The
time of needs must sounds its own
alarm. So, being more or less dry, I
tipped back to the tent so as not to
awaken my companions, and was
very nearly nipped by the watch dog.
My remarks to the dog (and to the
kettle on which I stepped when I
jumped out of his range) awoke
John Willie, whose chattering awoke
the rest, who demanded what I was
up to. I said I had been taking a
fish-eye view of the moon, and they
said "Shut up and go to sleep. You
silly ass." So even here I do not
quite escape public opinion. As I
boasted in an earlier paragraph, I
must go and be a Crusoe somewhere.
Perhaps I will apply for that new
inland that the Wanchai Reclamation
has just caused to arise from out the
azure main.

Met a small green snake.
SNAKES, barely a foot long, and of
the thickness of a lead
pencil. It was a very bright green,
yellowing underneath. The only
other snakes I have seen here so far
are big rock pythons. Can anyone
tell me if the little green ones are
poisonous? This one was so pretty
that I wanted to take it into camp,
and domesticate it, but in the absence
of knowledge I didn't care to pick it
up. I didn't want to hurt it, so there
was an impasse. It was going south,
and I north. We may never meet
again, but I'd like to know, in case.

My public is interested
most this week in the Irish
situation. I have a re-
quest to "say something
about it." What's the use? I
know no more than you do. The
only original idea I have on the sub-
ject is that if ever the Irish wake up
and learn that they have no grievance,
then that will be the biggest grievance
they have ever had.

A writer in the *Daily
Mail* asks "What is the
ideal hot weather
lunch?" and answers
himself that "there isn't
one." She's wrong. However hot
it is, one wants, by habit, a snack of
some sort. My own ideal in such
circumstances is two thin slices of
bread and butter, with slices of fresh-
ly cut raw onion sandwiched between,
a mere fragment of ripe cheese, and a
cold beer. That allays the craving,
without causing fullness, and my
doctor friend tells me it is quite whole-
some. The *Daily Mail* writer talks
of salads, but that's no use in Hong-
kong. The only Chinese servant here
who ever knew what a salad should be
died in 1905, and has no successor.
I haven't seen a salad in Hongkong
since, though occasional messes have
been put before me under that name.
There used to be a cheerful book by
Harry Quilter, entitled "What's
What," which had a very sound essay
on salad making.

Jerome K. Jerome long
ago did it far better, the poet
A. E. Benson in a re-
cent book has felt obliged to praise
the dog again. He describes him as
"the one member of the household
who was never sick or sorry, who was
always ready for play or for compani-
onship, never resented anything,
only claimed love; who, if he was
punished, never thought anything
but forgiveness; never lost patience,
was never injured or vexed; if one
trod on him by accident was sure
that one did it for the best, and came
to be pardoned; who saw one depart
with sorrow and welcomed one back
with overwhelming joy." I like dogs
myself, and understand 'em. Did
A. E. Benson ever take a young dog
into summer camp with him? Let
him try it, and see how his admiration
is tempered with justice. "George,"
the old dog, says that he has to be
constantly restrained from monkey-
ride, is a dog angel, but the one we

call "Sore Leg" is pure devil, shoving
her nose into the butter dish, running
off with the beefsteak, going in swim-
ming and then crawling into the
middle of my blankets to dry herself.
Besides which she is musical at night
time. She gets her name because
she is an actress, and every time she
is reprimanded lifts a forepaw and
limps as if lame. When she thinks
she is unobserved, she digs holes in
the ground, frantically using both
legs. As for dogs not being injured
or vexed, Mason evidently never
knew a dog like Esau, who will howl
when merely bored, and snarl for a
week if harshly addressed. That
bit about being trod on by accident
is the falsest of the lot. "Sore leg,"
when stepped on, swiftly sinks her
teeth into the offending foot. There's
a lot of "cupboard love" about
some dogs, as in some humans, and
it is stupid to ignore it. Unless
carefully trained, their "loyal
affection" is apt to spread itself
among too many people. "Sore leg"
so far has shown most affection to-
ward a camp piller who came over
from the village.

It has been my
experience on all
such occasions that
you cannot be too
careful in your choice of a companion.

In a small tent there is room enough
to fall out. In this one, lent by
Uncle Higby, to whose kindness I
am indebted for some of the healthiest
and pleasantest days I've spent here,
I have had a companion who has
"roughed it" without grumbling.
I selected him because he is a man of
beautiful silences. He makes a re-
mark when necessary, but is not a
chatterbox. He is a willing worker,
and I loathe work. In his quiet,
unrhapsodical way, he too is a wor-
shipper of Nature in her own haunts,
and I have even caught him quailing
poems. Yet even with Phil Lambie
I had to have a row. I am a very
difficult man to get on with. He is
one of these trained, scientific
sanitary experts, and his insistence
on tidiness in the camp irked and
finally annoyed me. We turned in
after a wrangle over some publishers'
catalogues I had scattered about,
and which, in my opinion, were doing
no harm to anybody. He was asleep
in ten minutes. Apparently the
sneakers and sandles don't care for
him as they do for me. I suffered
in silence for an hour or so, and then
I woke him up. "You are supposed
to be," I remarked severely, "a
Sanitary Department official.
Mosquitoes come into your job, for
I've seen it so stated in the paper.
Well, what do you mean snoring there,
while millions are attacking me?
Get up and abolish these." He
appeared to reflect, and then morn-
drowsily "something to the effect
that in his official opinion a
wet towel might probably be found
to be efficacious. I suppose he
thought he was writing a minute to
the M.O.H. or something of that sort.

If you are not afraid
of a spell of rough
likewise, eating, rough cooking,
rough sleeping, if you
don't mind a bit of walking, and
early rising, go you and do likewise
next hot weather, if you like sea
bathing and fresh air and Nature
and freedom. The last time I tented
it was in England, but that was a tent
and bed of my own invention, which
I towed around on a pair of wheels.
I landed at Weymouth with it in
the Spring of 1914, and walked
800 miles with it, camping on the
green strip beside the highway
wherever sundown caught me. My
only companion then was a yellow
cat, which I brought out of Normandy,
and called the Duchess, out of com-
pliment to the lady reputed to be
chiefly responsible for the Bayeux
tapestry. Bath was too big to cir-
cumvent, so I trudged right through,
with my equipment trailing behind
(the saucerpan regrettably conspicuous)
and the Duchess perched on my
shoulder, mewing and spitting at
the unfamiliar crowds. I felt rather
like Royalty as a big policeman
stopped the traffic at the cross roads
for us, but he spoiled it by whispering
hoarsely, behind a cotton-gloved hand,
"I see you've got Ginger with ye,
Guvnor." We went to Stonehenge
for the Midsummer Day sun-worship
by some long-haired cranks, and to
the New Forest for the annual meet
of the Caravan Club, and after that
wandered through Hampshire,
Sarrey, Wiltshire, Cambridgeshire,
Lincolnshire, etc., up to the Broads,
and round the Norfolk coast from
Kings Lynn to Yarmouth. I was
enchanted in Epping Forest when
the war broke out, and busted up
my nomad life. After I had been
arrested the fourth or fifth time as
a German spy, I decided to lead a
more sedentary respect able existence.
I have lived out of doors since then,
but not in tents. In Australia it
was in "humpies," in the Islands
it was under a tree as often as not,
and in Florida it was in a negro cabin.
A sleeping bag, with a little mosquito-
net gadget to cover the face, is really
all a man needs on warm countries,
if he scratches a shadow in the sand for
his hip, and uses his blanket as his
coat as he goes.

Such a life, apart from
the charm of it to certain
temperaments, has the
merit of cheapness. I do not think
it cost me a pound a week in England
that summer, but I wore out seven
pairs of cheap shoes in five months.

In any case, for such a way of life
some figures just published in the
Chamber of Commerce Journal have
no terrors. The cost of living in
Hongkong is given by these Chamber
of Commerce researchers as "practi-
cally a repetition of the Shanghai
figures," but I think most people
know that Shanghai is on the whole
a dearer place to live in. But what
do you think of these figures, anyway?
In Hongkong, they say, it costs a
young bachelor \$283 a month if he
messes with two others (in a rented
mess) \$308 if he lives in a boarding
house, and \$463 if he lives in a hotel.

MESS, M.R. HOTEL
house rent 45
food 50 150 300
sodas, wines, etc. 15 15 15
tobacco, papers, etc. 8 8 8
lighting 10 10 15
guests 20 20 20
amusements 25 25 25
club chits 25 25 25
clothes 25 25 25
laundry 7 5 5
furniture etc. 8
chair 20 20 20
insurance 25 25 25
servants 21 5 5

In the first place, where could
three men get a mess for \$45 a month.
Fifty is too much for food, though
in a mess they are often extravagant.
Club chits and wines etc. should be
lumped together. Some young
bachelors may spend \$10 a month
on these; some spend more, some less.
Clothes \$300 a year is probably
near the mark for the young swells,
but they could manage on less, with
care. I manage on much less, with
careless mess. What is the insurance
for? Do many young bachelors
spend \$25 every month on insurance?
If so, the insurance companies must
be doing better than I thought.
Then here are the C. of C. figures for
a young married couple:

Rented Boarding
House. House. Hotel.
rent 138
food 120 250 540
sodas, wines, etc. 20 20 20
tobacco, papers,
etc. 8 8 8
lighting 10
guests 20 15 20
amusements 20 20 20
club bills 25 25 25
clothes 75 75 75
laundry 15 9 9
furniture etc. 25
chair 40 40 40
insurance 25 25 25
servants 55 25 25
totals 590 512 807

Now how is a married couple, with
\$400 a month, going to manage?
These figures must be rather wild
guesses by a well-to-do man who
really knows very little about it.
Some of the figures are too low, but
most are too high. The food of a
married couple should not cost \$120.
Amusements, for those living in the
average boarding house, would cost
ten times the figure given, and even
then they wouldn't be amused. The
lady's clothes would cost far more.
Perhaps some married man with
\$400 or \$500 a month will tell us
how he does it, and correct these
figures for the Chamber of Commerce.

"Dear Adversarius,
"I heard a rather good story the
other night, which might be suitable
for your column, writes a reader:

During an election petition arising
out of the 1918 elections an allegation
was made that a number of rosettes
or "marks of distinction" had been
kept in a table drawer in the Central
Committee Rooms.
To meet the charge it was thought
desirable to call the evidence of
several witnesses to swear that the
only table in the room consisted of
planks laid on trestles. "So the
table had no proper legs" said Counsel
cheerfully.

"Never mind whether it had
proper legs or not" said one of the
learned judges "the more important
question is, had it drawers?"

My old friend
"Esau," the poet
has sent me a sheet
of music, a song,
for which he has
written the words. The music is
so easy and "suent" that I could
play it myself, if someone would
send me a piano. It is by E. S. S.
Huntington. The title is "But
why?" The words are:

But why should I worry
If you cannot love me?
I will only be sorry,
And sighing and yearning,
The day when you love me.
The day when you love me.
For you my heart yearns,
For you alone it dies.
Yet you will not believe me,
Till your iron heart leans
Over my heart that sighs
Over my heart that sighs.

This is the 20th century, and I
don't see why a stony-hearted lady,

up to date, should not how have an
"iron heart." The music is written
in F sharp, but some people will be
sure to sing it B flat.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Severn are
to be congratulated on the birth of a
son.

Mr. Eric Rice has been appointed
private secretary to H.E. the
Governor.

The death took place at Bangkok
on August 11 of Mr. Masao, Japanese
Minister to Siam.

Particulars are advertised in this
issue of one lot of Crown land at
Shamshuipo to be let by public
auction at the P.W.D. Offices on
Monday afternoon.

Among the passengers arriving
by the s.s. "Fushimi Maru" were
Commander F. G. Fyne and F. Rogers
and Lieut. T. D. Westfall, of the
United States Navy.

A quantity of household furniture
will be sold at auction by Messrs.
Lammert Bros. on Monday afternoon.
A cottage piano and a typewriter will
also be put up for auction.

The total output of the Kailan
Mining Administration's mines for
the week ending August 6, 1921,
amounted to 84,963 tons and the sale
during the period, to 91,326 tons.

The King has approved the
appointment of the Hon. Mr. H. W.
Bird as an unofficial member of
the Legislative Council during the
absence on leave of the Hon. Mr.
E.V.D. Par.

The time limit for filing claims
at the local clearing office against
debtors of German nationality has
been provisionally extended to
September 30, after which no further
claims will be accepted.

The following passengers left by
the s.s. "Dunera" this morning:
Lt. G. A. Wosley, Mr. H. Nielson,
Mr. and Mrs. Dias, Mr. I. Alaskina,
Mr. I. R. Longson, Mr. Broadwith,
Mr. Shaw and Mr. M. A. H. Atkins.

A telegram has been received
from the Secretary of State for the
Colonies to the effect that an order
of the King in Council was issued on
August 10 fixing July 26, 1921, as
the date of the termination of war
with Hungary.

At midnight on August 31, the
"present" war will end, according
to an order of the King in Council.
A former order fixed September 1 as
the official termination of the war.
The new order does not apply to
British relations with the Ottoman
Empire.

Only a few weeks ago Shanghai
was congratulating Mr. J. D. Gaines
on his departure after many years'
service to a well-deserved holiday and
rest in the homeland. Last week the
sad news reached Shanghai of his
sudden death, casting a deep gloom
over a wide circle of friends.

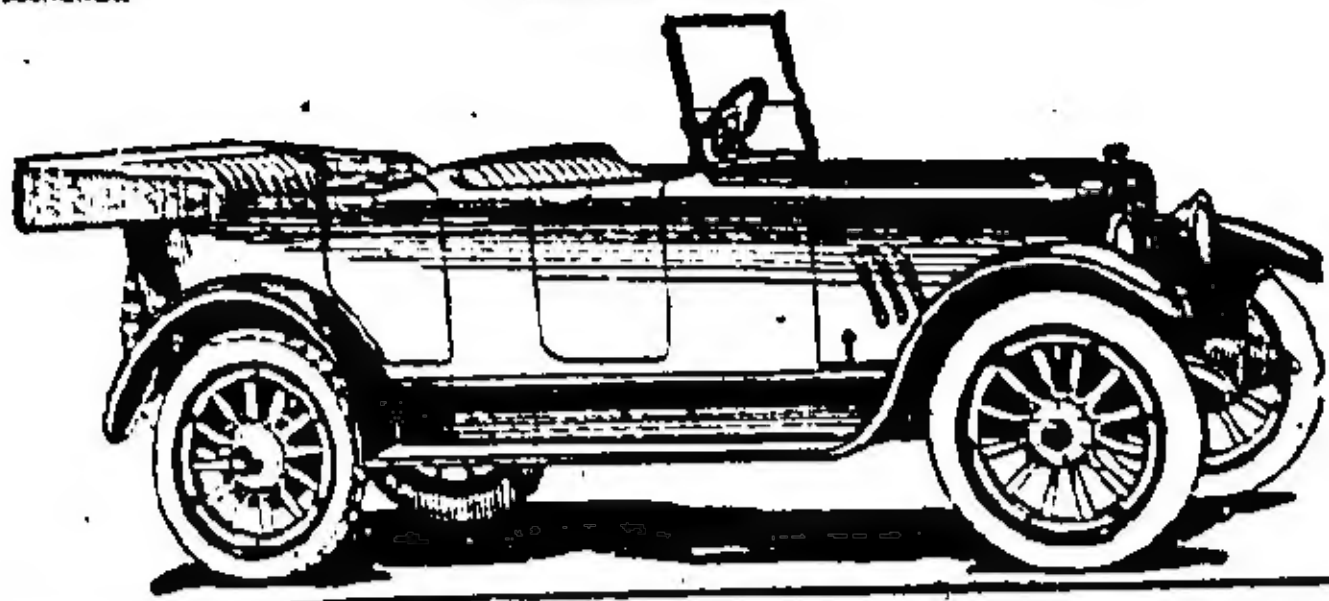
Mr. Oxberry, proprietor of the
Palace Hotel, is promoting a cham-
pionship team tournament, and
requests names of any team wishing
to enter. The team will be com-
posed of six players from any recog-
nised club, ship, mess, army, or navy.
The prizes will be six gold medals
for the winners and six silver medals
for the runners up.

The report that a dog suspected
of being infected with rabies had
bitten a Chinese boy and had been
sent to the Colonial Veterinary Sur-
geon was officially corrected at the
Central Police Station this morning.
The dog did bite the boy but
it was not actually suspected of being
infected with rabies. It was sent to
the C.V.S. merely as the usual pre-
caution taken when a dog has bitten
a person.

An Eastern News Agency tele-
gram reports as follows: Tokyo,
August 18.—The cargo boat of the
Osaka Shosen Kaisha, "Shosha
Maru" (1,531 tons), while on her
way to Kobe from Java, whence she
sailed on July 9, was caught in a
typhoon on August 11 off the Loo-
choo Islands and wrecked there. Up
to the present, only one man has
drifted ashore; the rest, forty-five in
number, including Captain Kondo,
are missing. In consequence, some
life-boats have been despatched from
Naha, on the islands.

Word has been received in
Shanghai from Su-wei, that on the
night of August 6, four Chinese
soldiers in civilian clothes, but with
concealed weapons, boarded the s.s.
"Robert Dollar," which was lying at
anchor at Wanhsien. At about 2
a.m. they seized a Chinese passenger,
accused him of being a bandit, thrust
him into a sampan, and then shot
him dead, under pretext that he was
attempting to escape. They then
returned to the steamer, seized the
man's widow, treated her roughly,
threw her across the deck, and took
her ashore as a prisoner.

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OLD POST OFFICE SITE.

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THE CONDITIONS ANNOUNCED.
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\$1,499,310.

The Old Post Office site comprising four lots of Crown land at the junction of Queen's Road Central and Pedder Street will be put up for letting by public auction sale at the Office of the Public Works Department on Tuesday, October 11, at 1 p.m. according to to-day's *Government Gazette*. The term will be for 75 years with the option of renewal at a Crown rent to be fixed by the Government surveyor for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the lots follow:—
(1)—Inland Lot No. 2316, Queen's Road Central—N.W. 213' 3"; S.E. 211' 2"; N.E. 42' 8"; S.W. 64' 11"; area about 11,366 sq. ft. Annual rental \$782. Upset price \$311,470.
(2)—Inland Lot No. 2317, at junction of Queen's Road Central and Pedder Street—N.W. 43' 8"; S.E. 43' 6"; N.E. 165' 7"; S.W. 165' 7"; area about 7,232 sq. ft. Annual rental \$488. Upset price \$325,440.
(3)—Inland Lot No. 2318, Pedder Street—N.W. 43' 8"; S.E. 43' 8"; N.E. 165' 7"; S.W. 165' 7"; area about 7,232 sq. ft. Annual rental \$498. Upset price \$325,450.
(4)—Inland Lot No. 2319, Pedder Street—N.W. 46' 9"; S.E. 43' 8"; N.E. 165' 10"; S.W. 165' 7"; area about 7,488 sq. ft. Annual rental \$516. Upset price \$336,960.

The conditions of the sale provide that no person shall at any bidding advance less than \$1,000. Immediately after the fall of the hammer, the purchaser of a lot or lots shall sign the memorandum of agreement for completing the purchase according to these conditions. He shall, within three days of the day of sale, pay into the Colonial Treasury in respect of each lot the following sums, viz:—Inland Lot No. 2316 \$75,000, Inland Lot No. 2317 \$47,000, Inland Lot No. 2318 \$47,000 and Inland Lot No. 2319 \$49,000, and within six months of the day of sale the balance of the premium or premia at which the lot or lots shall have been purchased; provided that interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum will be payable by the purchaser on any balance of the premium or premia which may be outstanding at the end of three calendar months from the date of sale, such interest to be reckoned as accruing from the expiration of three months aforesaid; and provided further that if the whole premium or premia be not paid on the expiration of six months from the date of sale, the purchaser will be held to have failed to comply with the conditions of the sale.

The purchaser of a lot or lots shall within eight months of the day of sale submit to the building Authority plans for the erection of buildings as required by Section 222 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1906. He shall also build and finish, fit for occupation, before the expiration of 36 calendar months from the date of passing of the plans, in a good substantial and workmanlike manner, one or more good permanent building or buildings which must be non-domestic, except with the consent of the Governor-in-Council or a hotel with walls of stone or brick and limer mortar and roof of tiles or such other materials as may be required by the Director of Public Works, and in other respect in accordance with the provisions of all Ordinances, by-laws and regulations relating to buildings or sanitation as shall or may at any time be in force in the Colony, and shall expend therein in respect of each lot, not less than the following sums, viz:—Inland Lot No. 2316 \$170,000, Inland Lot No. 2317 \$108,000, Inland Lot No. 2318 \$108,000 and Inland Lot No. 2319 \$112,000 in rateable improvements.

Possession of Inland Lot No. 2316 will not be given to the purchaser until January 18, 1922, from which date Crown rent will commence. Possession of the remainder of the lots sold shall be given to the purchaser or purchasers, and deemed to have been taken by him or by them on the day of sale.

The special conditions provide:—
The purchaser of a lot or lots must within eight months of the date of the sale entirely demolish the building at present standing on each lot or lots and clear away the old foundations, drains, etc., prior to the erection of a new building, such work to be carried out with as little inconvenience as possible to the public or the adjoining property owners. The purchaser or purchasers

shall be liable for any damage which may be caused by carrying out the above.

No building shall be erected on a lot or lots to a height exceeding 125 feet.

The design of the exterior elevations of any building to be erected on the whole of the lots or any one or more of the lots will be subject to the special approval of the Director of Public Works, who shall have power to regulate the height of storeys and may require the main feature of any building to harmonize with those of the adjoining buildings. Subject to the submission of satisfactory designs, permission will be granted to the purchasers to construct verandahs over the public footpaths in Queen's Road and Pedder Street extending the full height of the building or buildings. In the case of such verandahs, there must be a clear space of at least 5 feet between the face of the external wall of the building and the inside face of any portion of the piers or columns upon which such verandahs are supported.

The ground floor of the building or buildings to be kept at such levels as the Director of Public Works may direct in order that it may be in conformity with the proposed future alteration to the street levels. The exact boundaries of each lot to be determined before the issue of the Crown lease. In the event of any excess or deficiency in area being found to exist as compared with the areas stated in the conditions, the amount to be paid by or to be refunded to the purchaser in respect of such excess or deficiency will be calculated at the rate of \$45 per square foot plus a proportional part of any increase over the upset price. Crown rent will be adjusted at the rate of \$3,000 per acre per annum.

C.R.A. PETITION.

800 SIGNATURES TO DATE.

There were close upon 800 signatures on the sheets of the Constitutional Reform Petition that were called in this week after being displayed for some time in various clubs and business premises. The secretary of the C.R.A. (Mr. L. M. Whyte) told a *China Mail* reporter to-day that his committee hoped, by personal canvassing to increase this number to at least 1,000.

Lieut.-Col. T. E. Kelsall, D.S.O., R.E., has been placed under orders for embarkation for Hongkong, for duty as Commanding Royal Engineers in relief of Lieut.-Col. L.R.J.W. Taylor, R.E.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship, "INABA MARU," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day. Goods not cleared by the 26th August, 1921, will be subject to rent. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co's. representatives at an appointed hour on TUESDAY and FRIDAY. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Agents.

Hongkong, August 18, 1921.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

FINE AND APPLIED ART.

AN EXCELLENT "STUDIO" NUMBER.

The July number of *The Studio*, a copy of which we have received from the publishers, contains much that is interesting and much that is beautiful. Captain Audley Harvey's collection—a fine example of judicious selection and discriminating taste—receives generous treatment in a descriptive article illustrated by reproductions in colour and shade of many of the most

striking pictures mentioned. The etchings of Mr. F. L. Griggs, an artist little known to the public but whose work is warmly admired by all artists and collectors who take an intelligent interest in the art of engraving, form the subject of another profusely illustrated article. Another instalment of the excellent series on the miniatures in the famous Pierpont Morgan Collection is followed by a very readable account of the paintings and lithographs of Stanley Currier, whose art is distinguished by a fine vitality and sincerity. The usual "Studio Talk" written by correspondents in all the important art centres includes many admirable illustrations covering oil and water colours, chalk drawings, statuary, poster designs, and furniture.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

BILLIARDS.

Championship Team Tournament.

The Proprietor, (Mr. Osberry) of the PALACE HOTEL, is promoting a Championship Team Tournament and requests names of any team wishing to enter.

The Teams will be composed of six players from any recognised Club, Ship, Mess, Army, or Navy.

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Game 250 up.

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Entries closes on 31st August.

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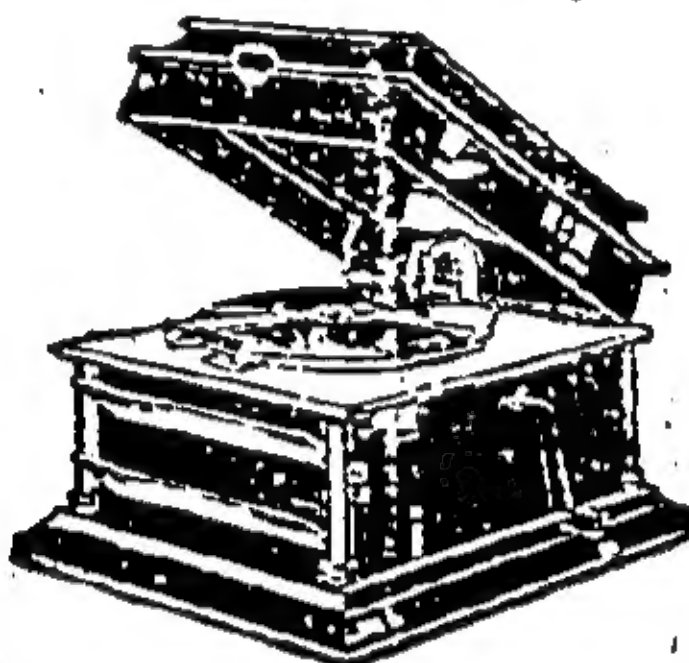
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"EURYALUS"	2,600	21st Aug.	Amoy only.
"NAGPORE"	5,000	29th Aug.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"DILWARA"	3,400	1st Sept.	Shanghai only.

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,800	22nd Aug.	London, Manila, Thursday
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NEW RECORD FOR BRITISH FLAG.

A report on the foreign trade of China in 1920, issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs Board, states that the tonnage of vessels entered and cleared amounted to 104,266,695 tons, which is 8,540,760 tons more than in 1919, and it is worthy of note, surpasses the record figure of 1914. The British flag, which now reaches 40.3 million tons, has fully recovered from the effects of the war, and exceeds the highest figure hitherto recorded, viz., 39.3 million tons in 1914. The Japanese flag, which holds the second place on the list in order of importance, increased from 27.5 to 32.2 million tons. American shipping registers a further remarkable advance from 2.6 million tons in 1919 to 4.2 million tons during the year under review and thus retains the fourth place, the third on the list being Chinese shipping which increased from 22.6 million to 23.6 million tons, not including the tonnage of Chinese junks, which amounted to 4 million tons. French tonnage more than doubled, the 1920 figures being 852,979 tons, against 414,161 tons in 1919, while the Italian flag rose from 53,142 tons in 1919 to 195,900 tons.

FREIGHTS.

At the beginning the outward freight was decidedly inactive and dull. The demand for space for the United Kingdom and Continent had practically ceased, and exporters were unable to negotiate fresh business owing to the continued rise in exchange, which at that time seemed firmer than ever. A temporary drop in the rate of exchange in March was responsible for the shipment of some seeds and cereals to North Continental ports, but the market remained flat, with abundant tonnage available and but little cargo offering. When, towards the middle of the year, the price of silver commenced its downward course in earnest, the uncertain state of the home markets precluded any considerable business being transacted, although some shipments of beans were made to Port Said and Trieste, and later on in the year, fairly large quantities of seeds were exported from the Yangtze to European ports. In the hope of attracting freight and encouraging demand, the China Home Freight Conference reduced its rates materially during the course of the year, but despite spasmodic flashes of energy the market, at the close of the year, was in the same inert condition which had characterised it for some time past, with no promise of an early improvement.

The same remarks apply, to a great extent, to the Pacific route, and to shipments to New York via Panama and via Suez. On all these routes there was a scarcity of cargo offering, with ample tonnage available. The situation was aggravated here by the advent of a large number of United States Shipping Board steamers now trading to the Orient, which entered into competition with the regular lines.

Inward cargoes from the United Kingdom maintained a good average throughout the year.

Coastwise trade was quiet but steady with a fair amount of available tonnage, especially on the Northern and Yangtze routes. But here also there was a pronounced downward tendency in rates, and towards the end of the year, considerable reduction had to be made.

"MOST COLOSSAL COMMERCIAL WRECK."

U.S. SHIPPING POLICY.

"America's shipping business to-day is the most colossal commercial wreck the world has ever seen, and the financial backing of the Government alone prevents it being the greatest bankruptcy ever recorded." With this shattering indictment, and of salvaging as much as possible, Mr. Albert Lasker assumed his new duties as head of the United States Shipping Board. Mr. Lasker emphasises that there are outstanding claims against the board of over \$35,000,000, and that the monthly working deficit is nearly \$4,000,000. This, he says, is a great blow to American hopes, but with the help of the taxpayers a great deal may still be achieved to put United States vessels on the seven seas in profitable business, though the immediate outlook seems dark.

When asked the reason for this, he pointed out that no business which had purchased thousands of tons of steel at 140 dollars per ton could be prosperous when the market is now around 70 dollars per ton for the same steel. Mr. Lasker's first task will be to survey the ships, most of which are now idle, and then sell as many as possible to private ownership. The wooden ships are

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considered to be practically worthless.
Mr. Lasker says that the only chance
of salvaging lay in the Government
Shipping Board, which must continue
in operation, but, with all the help
possible and with fortune favouring
him, he cannot promise good results by
an early date.

Editorial references to the shipping
situation (says the New York cor-
respondent of the Daily Telegraph)
admit that Mr. Lasker's scathing
words, "the greatest commercial
wreck the world has ever seen," are
not exaggerated. After allowing for
the loss on operation, and adding
the cost of deterioration of the ships,
many of which are simply rusting
away, the total loss per month is
never 17,000,000 than the figure
officially admitted. "Such a vast
sum," it is commented, "would in a
year more than wipe out the Ship-
ping Board's entire investment in
construction, or pay four-fifths of
the interest on the total allied debt
to the United States." Praise is
given to the Shipping Board for its
good work during the war, in which
the American Merchant Fleet was
increased from about 2,000,000 tons
to more than 6,500,000, but the
Emergency Fleet Corporation is
strongly censured for buying heavily
at the very peak of an inflated market,
and also for "far out-running the
emergency which created it." In
1919 it produced 4,075,000 tons,
or over a million more than in 1918;
in 1920 it produced 2,476,000 tons.
Then the crash came, because the
world was glutted with shipping.
Part of the scandal is attributed to
the general depression of shipping, and
just as much to lack of experience and
atrociously bad management.

QUARANTINE RULES AT PENANG.

P. & O. OFFICERS FINED.

As a sequel to the mooring of the
P. & O. "Syria" to the wharf at
Penang in July, when there was a
case of small-pox aboard, after giving
a declaration to the Port Health
Officer that she was free from disease,
in the District Court Capt. Raehad,
master, and Dr. Vincent Morey,
surgeon, were charged in the District
Court on August 9 with making a
false declaration. The ship would
have gone into quarantine had small-
pox been reported and no passengers
would have been allowed ashore.

The morning after the vessel's arrival
in Port the Health Officer boarded
the vessel and found that a Goanese
steward was suffering from small-pox,
and was of opinion that he had been
suffering from the disease for four
or five days.

Dr. Morey said that he found ache
spots and high temperature but had
no suspicion that it was small-pox.
The Captain was fined \$5 and costs
and the Doctor \$200 and costs.

GENERAL NOTES.

The shipping companies participat-
ing in the European Conference have
increased the freight rate on almonds
to 83s. on apricots to 88s., on
green peas to 66s. on unshelled
peas to 22s., on bulked peanuts to
83s. on colza to 90s., on cottonseed
to 112s., on hemp to 149s., and on
flax to 90s.

The "Wenatchee" arrived safely at
Seattle on June 30 after an adven-
turous voyage. She is now
being towed to place inside and rebuilt.
The American Shipping Board is said
to have decided to do away with all
cabin staterooms in its new type
liners, and opportunity will be taken
to remedy the defects in the
"Wenatchee." Another of the Ship-
ping Board's new liners is to be run
on the Pacific. This is the Empire
State, which has been allocated to the
Pacific Mail Company.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
"BENRINNES,"

From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO,
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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or
from the wharves delivery may be
obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
23rd instant, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 30th inst. or they will
not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the
23rd instant, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO. LTD.
Agents
Hongkong, August 16, 1921.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"TRIESTE,"

From TRIESTE, via VENICE,
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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon,
whence and/or from the wharves de-
livery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded
unless notice to the contrary be given
before 17th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

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The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, in ac-
cordance with the advice of the Blue
Funnel Line, participated last year in
the Batavia Conference for the Java-
European line, but retired from it
in March owing to the small
amount of cargo. It is now re-
ported, however, that exports of
Java sugar to Europe have become
energetic again, which has induced
the O.S.K. to run ships on the line
again. The freight rate on sugar
which was previously 27 guilders,
has been increased to 32 guilders
by the Conference.

Messrs. Struthers & Dixon and the
Admiral line have invaded the Java
line, the former being determined to
run ships regularly once a month.
In competition with these new rivals
the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Osaka
Shosen, Kaisha, Java-China-Japan
line, and Nanyo Yusen Kaisha have
decided to decrease freight rates from
the commencement of August, as
follows:—

	Old Rates.	New Rates.
Cement	Y 2.00	Y 1.50
Matches	15.00	14.00
Fertiliser	15.00	13.00

The existing shipping depression is
being felt almost as keenly in the
East as at home, and the Imperial
Merchant Service Guild are con-
siderably being informed by members
that they are serving in Eastern waters of
ships being sold, placed under foreign
flags or laid up, with corresponding
unemployment for many of those
engaged. The resumption of work
in the coal mines has led to marked
activity this last day or two of the
Eastern market, and it is hoped that
these officers so far away from home
will readily be absorbed in the ships
in a active commission again.

The Shanghai shipping line has
hitherto been almost wholly control-
led by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha. The
Yokohama Specie Bank, which has
been playing a part in the Dairen and
the Tsingtao lines, has decided to enter
the Shanghai line, and compete with
the monopolistic company, running the
"Tokyo-maru," "Kure-maru" III, and
"Toyo-maru" III. The first steamer
is already under orders to leave Japan
at an early date. N.Y.K. seems to
regard their rivals as a serious con-
sideration, as not only do consignors
confide in the company, but the
agreements as to the rebate system
are binding.

The unsubsidised Japanese ship-
owners are continuing to open new
lines, or force their way into services
which are already operated by their
fellow-traders. The Yamashita Kisen
Kaisha is steadily preparing for the
opening of an American-Australian
line, while the "Tenkwa Yoko" will
shortly invade the Shanghai run.
The Kuribayashi firm of the Hoku-
kaido, employing the "Wakamatsu-
maru," "Kobe-maru," and "Haco-
maru," is on the point of encroaching
upon the Kobe Dairen line, in which
the Osaka Shosen Kaisha has so long
had a monopoly.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

THE ROCK FAIRIES' GARDENS.

It was in the middle of the summer. It was so hot that Joan and Jimmy, who were staying at the sea-side, were able to bathe every day. You can imagine the lovely time that they had, splashing about in the water and running races on the sands.

One day Jimmy was jumping over some rocks near the water's edge looking for anemones in the pools, when he suddenly heard a voice say: "Oh please don't step on my new garden!"

"Garden," said Jimmy aloud in a surprised voice. "There isn't any garden here."

"Oh yes there is," replied the voice. "I have only just made it and I don't know what I should do if you spoil it."

"But who are you and where are you?" asked Jimmy as he looked all round him in a puzzled manner.

"Please bend down and you will see me by your right foot," the voice went on and there, sure enough, was a wee brown man dressed all in sea-weed. On his head was a rockle shell hat with a broad seaweed ribbon round it and he had a funny little hard face like a bit of rock.

Jimmy, who had seen fairies before, was not so surprised as he might otherwise have been and he said politely, "Who are you please and will you show me your garden?"

"I am a Rock Fairy," the little man answered. "And my name is Wave-Splashed. I shall be very pleased to show you my garden but first of all hold my hand and say:

"Too tall by far. More small I'd be. So hop, skip, jump And one two three."

Jimmy repeated this. When he said, "Hop, skip, jump," the Rock Fairy jerked his hand up and down and at the word "Three" Jimmy felt himself shoot down—bang—and then found that he was only about two inches high.

"That is better," said Wave-Splashed. "Now you can really see the Rock Country. The island on which we are standing," he continued, "is called Regal Island because the Rock King has his summer palace here."

"Do you think I might see it?" asked Jimmy eagerly.

"Why certainly," Wave-Splashed answered. "But I thought," he added in an offended tone, "that you wanted to see my garden."

"Yes I do too," cried Jimmy. "Please show it to me. I should love to see it."

Wave-Splashed was evidently very proud of his garden which was a mass of different coloured sea-weed arranged in beds surrounded by shells and all round the garden was a wide border of limpets. The sea-weed was of the brightest colours and shone in the sun and it really did look beautiful.

"It has taken me hours to make," he told Jimmy. "And," he added, "but here they were interrupted by a loud noise which made Jimmy jump, as he was not expecting it."

"What is it?" he shouted to Wave-Splashed for it was impossible to hear anything unless you shouted.

"It is the sword fish flashing swords to announce the approach of the King," Wave-Splashed shouted back to him. "The King is offered a prize of a mother-of-pearl chariot drawn by dolphins to the one who has made the best garden to-day. I should so like to win it. It makes me quite anxious."

Jimmy could see that he was trembling with excitement and he cried, "Your garden is lovely. I am sure that you ought to have a prize."

And then over the top of the rock appeared the King and his courtiers and they all exclaimed over the garden which lay in front of them.

"Who has made this?" questioned the King.

Wave-Splashed stepped forward, took off his cockle shell hat and replied with a low bow, "I, Your Majesty, your humble servant, Wave-Splashed."

"It is far the best of all," said the King graciously. "The prize is yours." The courtiers were beginning to shout "Hurrah" when the King noticed Jimmy and asked who he was.

"A mortal, Your Majesty," Wave-Splashed told him. "Who is anxious to see your palace if you will give him permission."

"We will all return to a feast to celebrate this day," smilingly granted the King. "Call up the prize chariot."

As once a shining mother-of-pearl chariot appeared, which was big enough to hold them all, and the dolphins went off at a tremendous pace until they came to a door cut into the face of the rock. There they stopped. One of the courtiers jumped out and knocked sharply three times and a number of Rock Fairies came rushing out to greet the King on his return and to know who had won the prize. They all seemed very friendly and they showed Jimmy the great hall of the summer palace. The walls were covered with phosphorus which gave out a beautiful blue light and there were numbers of chairs and tables neatly carved from shells.

Then they feasted on seaweed soup and shrimp sandwiches and anemone jelly and drank sparkling water which had been brought from a fresh water stream on shore in limpet shells.

All of a sudden Jimmy heard someone calling him.

"It is my mother who has come to look for me because she thinks that I am lost," he cried out, starting up. "Thank you very much but I must go now."

"Good-bye Jimmy. Come again soon," they all cried. He ran out and as the door shut behind him and his foot touched the rock he regained his own size. And there were his mother and Joan hunting for him everywhere.

"Where have you been?" they both asked at once.

"With the Rock Fairies," he answered.

"Oh you lucky boy!" exclaimed Joan, and "Come and tell us all about it," said his mother.

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BARR'S FLYING CIRCUS.

EQUIPMENT HELD UP.

SINGULAR ACTION OF JAPANESE.

Members of Barr's Flying Circus, who have been arranging to visit Shanghai and Hongkong, seem to have experienced an adventurous time in Japan, judging from a cablegram received announcing that they had been compelled to "fly from the mob" and that most of their equipment was being forcibly held by the Japanese.

The N.C. Daily News understands that during the tour much difficulty had been experienced by the company in obtaining due fulfilment of contract terms, and unfair dealing is alleged.

According to information received, the Japanese interested in the tour succeeded in obtaining control of the Barr equipment, and Mr. Barr finally appealed to the U. S. Consular authorities in the interests of the performers, payment for the show being said to have run into arrears to the extent of some thousands of yen.

The dispute seems to have reached an acute stage by the time the company arrived at Kobe, and matters were not mended by a fatal accident which occurred.

Nothing further was heard officially from Mr. Barr until on August 9th his manager, Mr. Duncan Neven, received the startling radio-telegram sent out from the "Montezuma" that the company was "flying from the mob" and that the Japanese were "forcibly holding equipment."

Further details of the affair will be awaited with interest.

The Manager writes from Shanghai that the loss to Barr—by the seizure of his machines and the amount the Japanese "owe him in cash"—totals roughly \$80,000 gold. Barr's Flying Circus, he says, is not the only sufferer by bad treatment in Japan, "but it would appear that there is easily the worst case that has been made public, and the matter should not be without interest to other shows that may contemplate visiting that country."

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SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

GARRISON LEAGUE.

The following matches were played during the week in connection with the Garrison Lawn Tennis League. The Royal Engineers, the favourites for league honours are still topping the league table with 16 points (8 wins out of 8 matches played):

WILTS BEAT R.G.A. 9-0.
Bism. Murrant and Bism. Rogers beat S. G. Gillard and G. Clow 6-1, 6-2, beat B.Q.M.S. Clarke and G. Dyer 6-0.

Sgt. Well and Bism. Teagle beat Gillard and Clow 7-5, beat May and Walker 6-2, beat Clarke and Dyer 6-0.

Bism. Jones and Bism. Dobson beat Gillard and Clow 6-4, beat May and Walker 6-1, beat Clarke and Dyer 6-0.

The infantrymen won by 9 sets to nil.

R.A.S.C. BEAT R.A.M.C. 5-4.
Major Humphreys and S. Sgt. Horrocks beat S.M. Thompson and Sgt. Hollands 7-5, beat Cpl. Savage and Cpl. Stone 6-3, lost to S. Sgt. Jane and Sgt. Ricks 3-6.

S.M. Stroud and Dr. Lansley beat Thompson and Hollands 6-1, beat Jane and Stone 6-2, beat Jane and Ricks 6-0.

S.M. McCarthy and Cpl. Swannie lost to Thompson and Hollands 4-6, lost to Savage and Stone 5-7, lost to Jane and Ricks 3-6.

The R.A.S.C. won by 5 sets to 4.

R.A.S.C. BEAT R.G.A. 7-2.
Major Humphreys and S. Sgt. Horrocks beat S. Sgt. Gillard and G. Clow 6-1, beat Sgt. Phillips and G. Dyer 6-1, beat B.Q.M.S. Clarke and Sgt. Walker 6-0.

S.M. Stroud and Dr. Lansley beat Gillard and Clow 6-0, beat Phillips and Dyer 6-1, beat Clarke and Walker 6-0.

S.M. McCarthy beat Clarke and Walker 6-1, lost to Phillips and Dyer 3-6, lost to Gillard and Clow 1-6.

The R.A.S.C. won by 7 sets to 2.

R.A.O.C. BEAT R.A.M.C. 5-4.
Capt. Spinks and S.M. Haynes beat S. Sgt. Jane and Sgt. Wilkinson 6-1, lost to Major Tomlinson and Cpl. Stone 1-6, beat S.M. Thompson and Cpl. Savage 6-2.

S. M. Foster and S. Sgt. Bradley beat Jane and Wilkinson 8-6, beat Tomlinson and Stone 9-7, beat Thompson and Savage 6-2.

S. C. Nicholas and Pte. Collie lost to Jane and Wilkinson 2-6, lost to Tomlinson and Stone 1-6, lost to Thompson and Savage 2-6.

The R.A.O.C. won by 5 sets to 4. Entries for the Garrison Doubles Challenge Cup close to-day.

LEAGUE TABLE.
(Up to August 19th).

CLUB. P. W. L. POINTS.
R. A. O. C. 8 8 0 16
R. E. O. C. 7 6 1 12
2. Wilshire. 8 4 4 8
R. A. S. C. 7 3 4 6
R. A. M. C. 6 2 6 4
R. G. A. 6 0 8 0

INTERPORT POLO.
THE SHANGHAI TEAM SELECTED.

The following have been selected to play for Shanghai against Hongkong in the Kewick Cup Interport Match, to be played in Hongkong:—F. H. McMichael, H. Robinson, C. C. Boyd, and J. F. Brennan.

Some difficulty has been experienced by the selection committee of the Club, as several well known players, such as Messrs. Geo. Dallas, E. S. Renbow Rowe, N. W. Pickering, J. J. Patterson and R. L. Fearon have stated definitely that in the event of their being chosen they will be unable to play.

The choice is, therefore, rather restricted, but the team which has been chosen is a good representative one, and it is hoped in Shanghai that they will retain the cup which was won by Shanghai last year. The match will be played on October 1st.

TEETHING CHILDREN.

TEETHING children have more or less diarrhoea, which can be controlled by giving Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. All that is necessary is to give the prescribed dose after each operation of the bowels more than natural and then castor oil to cleanse the system. It is safe and sure. Even the most severe and dangerous cases are quickly cured by it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

HONGKONG TRADE.

CONDITIONS STILL UNSETTLED.

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT EXPECTED.

The fortnightly report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce states:—

Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—A moderate business has been done since our last report in grey and white shirtings chiefly. Local values have declined somewhat, but, generally speaking, are about Manchester Parities. Some sales are reported of Venetians and Irishmen. Although hostilities between the Kwang Provinces have terminated, conditions are still unsettled, but a general improvement is looked for about the end of this month.

Cotton Yarn.—A very moderate business transpired. Notwithstanding appreciable decline in exchange, prices realised show slight declines on the previous fortnight. Latterly values have hardened somewhat.

Quotations are:—
No. 10s. \$138/182 No. 12s. \$155/183 No. 16s. \$195/212 No. 20s. \$205/230.

Animals 3,000 bales. Sales 3,000 bales. Shipments nil.

Unsold Stock 1,000 bales. Bargains 10,000 bales.

Woolens.—No business has been done, the market remains unchanged.

Raw Cotton.—Values are practically unaltered as follows:—Indian descriptions at \$22 25 per picul. Chinese descriptions at \$25 35 per picul.

Metals.—Business has been done in M. S. Bars to arrive at prices ranging from \$5.10 to \$5.25 per picul. There are further enquiries, but owing to a firmer market in London, business is difficult to bring about. M. S. Plates have been booked at \$5.25 per picul. Locally market prices have sagged away slightly. Wire Nails have been offered at \$7.95 to \$8.00, without finding buyers.

Yellow Metal.—Nominal Nil.

FLOUR MARKET REPORT.

Stock: About 55,000 sacks.

Quotations:—American Patent \$4.70 per sack, American Cut off \$3.10 per sack, American Straight \$3.55 per sack, Shanghai Flour \$3.45 per sack.

Petroleum Products.—No change.

Sundries and Coals.—Market is slightly easier both here and in Belgium.

Java Sugar.—To arrive.

Philippine Sugar.—Market steady.

Saltpetre.—Stock 4,300 bags. Market steady.

CHURCH NOTICES.

A CHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

HONGKONG 21ST AUGUST, 1921.
10TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m.
Children's service 10 a.m.
Matins at 1

